In the March 9 Office Action (p. 5) it was also stated that:

In the event of election of the groups I-VI the applicant is further required to elect among the following species in the elected group as follows:

Group V: Species of restricting (elect one)
Claims 27, 28

Applicant hereby elects to prosecute the species of claim 28.

Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration and issuance of the subject application. Should any matter in this case remain unresolved, the undersigned attorney respectfully requests a telephone conference with the Examiner to resolve any such outstanding matter.

Respectfully Submitted,

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